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Dispensation of Fake Currency through ATMs
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ATMs of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) installed in rural areas including Ahmadnagar district dispensing fake currency of Rs.2000 recently and if so, the details thereof along with the cases registered by the Government, State and bank-wise;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any investigation to find out the accused involved in such incidents; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government against them?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance

(a) to (c): Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has informed that they have not received any complaint regarding dispensation of fake currency notes through bank counters / ATMs including the rural area in Ahmadnagar district in the recent past. There were newspaper reports about dispensation of fake notes of Rs 2000 from ATMs at Meerut (UP) and Sitamarhi (Bihar). The work of replenishing the ATMs with notes was reportedly outsourced and the police are investigating the role of the Cash Replenishment Agencies in the matter.

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